IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

UPPER VALLEY BEHAVIORAL	
HEALTH,)
DI - 14.00	
Plaintiff,)
) Civil Action No.: 1:24-cv-00106
VS.)
) (Removed from the Second Judicial District
HEALTH CARE SERVICE) Court, State of New Mexico, County of
CORPORATION, an Illinois mutual legal) Bernalillo, Case No. D-202-CV-2024-
reserve company; and BLUE CROSS AND) 00167)
BLUE SHIELD ASSOCIATION, an	
Illinois nonprofit organization,	
-)
Defendants.	,)

NOTICE OF CONSENT TO REMOVAL

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b)(2)(A), Defendant Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association ("BCBSA") hereby consents to the removal of this action from the Second Judicial District Court, County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico to the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico. *See* ECF No. 1, Notice of Removal. In consenting to removal, BCBSA expressly reserves all rights and defenses and does not concede that Plaintiff has appropriately served BCBSA or has jurisdiction to pursue any claims against it.

Dated: February 2, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

By:

Christina Muscarella Gooch

SUTIN, THAYER & BROWNE APC

6100 Uptown Boulevard NE, Suite 400

Albuquerque, NM 87110

T: 505.883.3433 F: 505.855.9520 tmg@sutinfirm.com

Marty J. Bishop (pro hac vice pending)
Jason T. Mayer (pro hac vice pending)
Elaina Valtierra-Doherty (pro hac vice pending)

REED SMITH LLP

10 South Wacker Drive, 40th Floor Chicago, IL 60606

T: 312.207.1000 F: 312.207.6400

mbishop@reedsmith.com jmayer@reedsmith.com evaltierradoherty@reedsmith.com

Attorneys for Defendant Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on February 2, 2024, I filed and served the foregoing electronically through the CM/ECF system and that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was emailed to:

Alexander Ross Hernandez P.O. Box 769 Flatonia, TX 78941 T: 979.702.3963 arh@alexrosshernandez.com

Daniel Marquez
The Law Office of Daniel A. Marquez
1308 Montana Ave., Suite A
El Paso, TX 79902
T: 915.270.9580
dan@damlawoffice.com

Bv:

Christina Muscarella Gooch